## **ABSOLUTE RATING:** Average

**IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory** 

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 97.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

### **RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD**

Absolute Rating
Average

Improvement Rating
Unsatisfactory

2001 2002

2002

2003 2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

### PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Advanced





**Below Basic** 

### **DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:**

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=56)	73.2	66.1	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=3)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=53)	77.4	69.8		
Gender				
Male (n=26)	N/A	N/A		
Female (n=30)	83.3	76.7		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=56)	73.2	66.1		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=48)	70.8	64.6		
Pay for lunch (n=8)	N/A	N/A		

# SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$6,821	N/A	\$5,808	\$5,347
<ul> <li>Prime instructional time</li> </ul>	94.9%	Up from 91.8%	89.5%	90.2%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	12.1 to 1	N/A	17.2 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=140)				
<ul> <li>Attendance Rate</li> </ul>	96.5%	Down from 97.89	% 96.2%	96.2%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level</li> </ul>	0%	N/A	6.8%	4.1%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level</li> </ul>	0% I	N/A	5%	3.1%
<ul> <li>First graders who attended full day kindergarten</li> </ul>	100%	No change	98%	96.3%
<ul> <li>Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	9%	Up from 0.8%	5.7%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=14)				
<ul> <li>Professional Development days per teacher</li> </ul>	5 Days	Down from 8.1	7.5 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	98.9%	Up from 95.6%	94.8%	95.1%
<ul> <li>Teachers with advanced degrees</li> </ul>	50%	No change	44%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	71.4%	Down from 90%	78.9%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	3.1%	0.0%
<ul> <li>Teachers returning from the previous school year</li> </ul>	90%	Up from 89.3%	82.1%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$37,623	Up 8.0%	\$36,493	\$37,520

### SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries</li> </ul>	59%	N/A	64.6%	65.3%
<ul> <li>Principal's years at the school</li> </ul>	0	N/A	3	4.0
<ul> <li>Parents attending conferences</li> </ul>	53.2%	N/A	86.3%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	67.4%	Up from 56.3%	59.4%	43.1%
<ul> <li>On academic probation</li> </ul>	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
<ul> <li>Older than usual for grade</li> </ul>	0.7%	Up from 0%	2%	1.1%
<ul> <li>Suspended or expelled</li> </ul>	5	N/A	2	1
Gifted and talented	13.6%	Up from 7.5%	6.1%	11.5%
<ul> <li>With disabilities other than speech</li> </ul>	7.7%	Up from 3.7%	8.7%	8.4%

# PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

St. John Elementary School is committed to every child receiving the highest quality education provided by a challenging, age-appropriate curriculum. Students are given a strong academic, social, and emotional foundation through a highly effective staff.

The transformation of the learning environment into a literacy culture and the acceleration of student learning are two major challenges. The recent implementation of the America's Choice School Design along with the SC Curriculum Standards is the foundation for our standards-based school. Teachers are trained to use a variety of methods and styles for the individualization of all students. Supplemental programs are Lightspan, Soaring to Success, SRA Reading and Math, Math

Steps, Computer Assisted Instruction, and Accelerated Reader. These programs assist teachers in motivating students to communicate effectively particularly through writing, listening, and speaking.

Students will demonstrate respect for themselves and others through positive attitudes. Highly motivated, self-disciplined, happy children will be seen growing into well-rounded adults in this safe and nurturing environment at St. John.



St John Elementary 4515 Narrow Paved Road Lynchburg, SC 29080

**Grades PK-5 Elementary School** 

Enrollment: 140 Students

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# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

<b>Annual School</b>	
Report Card	

2001

School Grade: Below Average

#### **EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	82.6	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0	95.5	
Satisfied with home-school relations	78.6	100.0	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

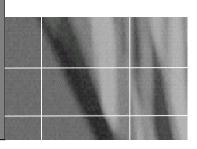
Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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